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Examiner: A.M. Harrington

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For : LIGHT – PROJECTING DEVICE

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In Response to the Interview Summary (Form PTOL-413) which accompanied the Notice of Allowability dated February 11, 2005, and in which the telephone interviews between Applicants' representative Joshua M. Povsner and the Examiner on February 1, 2005 and February 3, 2005 were summarized, Applicants provide the following Interview Summary:

On February 1, 2005, the Examiner contacted Applicants' representative and suggested revising claim 1 to specify "an illumination light beam output from said light-projecting optical system, said illumination beam being reflected from a light-projecting prism onto a ~~on the~~ third reflecting plane and the roof reflecting plane of said hollow pentagonal mirror, and said illumination beam being approximately perpendicularly radiated on said superimpose-plate".

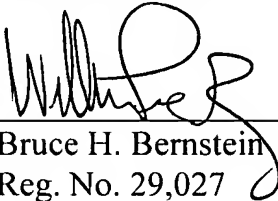
In particular, the Examiner asserted that the amendment to claim 1 would add what she was considering to be "essential subject matter" to the claim. The Examiner also offered to amend claim 6 similarly.

On February 3, 2005, Applicants' representative responded and informed the Examiner that the claimed inventions do not require a light-projecting prism to enable the illumination beam to enter the hollow pentagonal mirror (although such is not precluded by the recited invention either). The Examiner indicated that she would discuss the remarks of Applicants' representative with her supervisor.

Applicants would like to take this opportunity to thank the Examiner for her courtesy shown in contacting Applicants' representative to discuss the claims before allowing the same.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
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